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highly praised by the Chinese Communists since it resembles the "mutual-aid teams" in the old Liberated Areas in North China. Today, this traditional practice of the Yao people may facilitate the task of the Chinese Communists in the organization of the "co-operative labor teams" among the Yao people. 563 476

E. The Miao People

In the Central-South most of the Miao people live in West Hunan where there is today a Miao Autonomous Region. It is interesting to note, however, that the Miao people comprise only one-fifth of the population of this so-called Miao Autonomous Region. 563 657

In contrast to the situation in the Southwest, where Miao tenants are exploited by their Yi landlords, in West Kwangsi the Miao have been persecuting the Yi minority to such an extent that the latter group has dwindled in number in the last one hundred years from 10,000 to 3,000.[26] Although most of the Miao, as an immigrant group on Hainan Island, are tenants of the aboriginal Li landlords and are controlled by them, they do not mingle or intermarry with the Li. The Miao on Hainan are said to be more intelligent and literate than the Li. Unlike the Miao 563 [162]

26. Liu Chieh, Kuang-hsi T'e-chung Chiao-yü, [Special Education in Kwangsi], Kweilin: Kuang-hsi sheng-cheng-fu pien-i wei-yuan-hui, 1940, p. 2.